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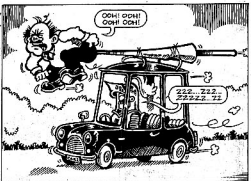


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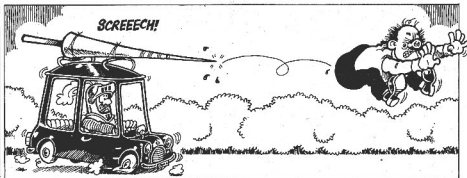




NOBBY'S PILES



SEVERAL MILES LATER...



FRANKENSTAR MUST DIE!

A showbusiness hurricane is brewing over Variety Club plans to create a 'Frankenstein' style celebrity monster using the remains of dead stars from the past.

Plans for the showbusiness monster were hatched by fund raisers hoping to raise extra cash towards the Variety Club's Sunshine Coach appeal. But there is growing unrest among showbusiness personalities concerned that a man-made celebrity monster, assembled using limbs and organs from dead stars, would be in bad taste. And alarm bells are ringing after some insiders admitted that the monster may go wrong, and kill the very children that it was setting out to help.

RISK

"There is always a risk that an experiment like this could go wrong. The monster may not know its own strength, or scientists may accidentally give it the wrong brain or something", admitted concerned star Ernie Wise last night.

VARIETY

The variety club is believed to have already begun work on the 'monster' at a castle in North Wales belonging to comedian Jimmy Tarbuck.



Tarby - castle

Storm over celebrity monster set to do charity work for kids

And according to some reports, Tarbuck's shopping list for the proposed 'Frankenstar' includes:

- **HAIR** from the late great comedian Frankie Howerd.
- The **CHEEKY GRIN** of the late Bennie Hill.
- **LEGS** removed from musical hall great Arthur Askey.
- **FEET** from giant comic Tommy Cooper.
- And Eric Morcambe's glasses.

Once the monster is complete pioneering Variety Club scientists plan to bring it to life by harnessing the power of an electrical storm. They then plan to tour the country, doing sell-out charity shows to raise funds for needy kids.

VAMPIRE

This is not the first time that a fund raising organisation run by the stars has attempted such an ambitious project. In 1989, amidst a storm of publicity, the Lords Taverners

An artists impression of how the monster will look when it emerges from Castle Tarbuck.

The hands of the late great DAVID NIXON will give it breathtaking conjuring ability.

The singing, dancing legs of music hall legend ARTHUR ASKEY will give it 'all round' entertainment value, with terrific family appeal.



The feet and shoes of the immortal TOMMY COOPER will come to life once more as the undead creature takes the stage in numerous charity shows.



We will laugh again at the saucy antics of BENNY HILL as the beast breathes new life into his cheeky grin.



LOYD GROSSMAN'S THROUGH THE WINDSCREEN

Dear oh dear oh dear! This star's car's in a right mess. Let's sift through the wreckage and see if we can discover *who would crash a car like this?*

Here's the evidence. Our mystery celebrity has crashed his £50,000 Mercedes in East London. On the dashboard is a gumshield. And what's this on the rear passenger seat? Some sort of metal tea pot? No - it's a magic lamp. Perhaps our star is some sort of entertainer? A magician perhaps? Finally, in the boot there's a crate of bottles. Not booze I hope. No,

it's a crate of HP Sauce! This star obviously has a *big* appetite for the stuff.

If you know the answer, send the name, on a postcard, to: Lloyd Grossman's THROUGH THE WINDSCREEN, Viz, P.O. Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT. The winner will receive ringside tickets to see Frank Bruno's next big fight.

The Celebrity Car Crash Quiz



HAVE NO FEAR! THE CAPTAIN'S HERE!

It's every fella's nightmare - visiting the newsagent to buy a dirty magazine. Well have no fear, because Captain Jazzmag is here to help horny readers who prefer not to buy their porny magazines over the counter.

DIRTY

For a modest £10 (to cover, the price of the magazine, postage and our administration fee) Captain Jazzmag will pop over the road to our local newsagents and buy the dirty book of your choice, then post it to you under a plain cover.

PORNY

If you want to receive a porny magazine but would prefer not to buy it yourself, write to Captain Jazzmag at the address below. Fill in the form indicating the magazine you require, and don't forget to enclose ten pounds.

Dear Cap'n

I always wait until my local newsagent is empty before I go in and buy my jazz mag. But by the time I've plucked up the courage to take it to the till, there's always another customer has entered the shop. I'm on the verge of giving up. It's so frustrating. Please help me Captain Jazzmag. I enclose £10.

Brian Hackney

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: Have no fear Captain Jazzmag is here! And here too is a copy of Razzle magazine, winging its way to you by first class post!

Dear Cap'n

I am totally besotted with the young girl who works behind the counter in my local newsagent, and the last thing I want is for her to know that I wank habitually. Please could you save the day, Captain Jazzmag, by sending me a copy of Escort in the post. I enclose £10.

Bob Bolton

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: You're obviously a sensitive fella, Bob. I'm only too pleased to be able to help. I'm sending you a copy and wish you wanking well!



Top shelf marks for newsagent

My big brother has lots of dirty books under his bed, but I haven't got any. I'm only 14 and the shopkeeper won't sell me any. I don't think it's fair. Please send me a dirty book. I enclose my pocket money - £10 exactly.

Richard Hull

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: Top shelf marks to your local newsagent, Richard. He is quite right to say 'no'. At 14 the law says you are too young to buy a scud mag. Try flicking through your mum's clothes catalogues instead, in particular the underwear section. I'm keeping your tenner to teach you a lesson, young man. (P.S. Next time you write try saying you're 18.)

Dear Cap'n

I wouldn't dare buy a pornographic magazine in a shop, so I was going to subscribe to one. However, I don't want them to have my name and address on their computer, because you never know what they'll use it for. I'm at my wits end. Please help me Captain. I enclose £10.

George Essex

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: I know how you feel, George. Subscribing direct to a jazzmag is a risky business. Not least of all be-

cause you can't be sure that they'll send it under plain cover.

You've done the right thing by writing to me. I'm sending you a sensational copy of Fiesta, in a plain brown envelope with an innocuous Newcastle postmark.

Dear Cap'n

I am a member of the cloth who likes the occasional hand shandy. But if I ventured into the newsagent in a close knit community, like Truro, I would be recognised and word of my 'off the wrist' activity would spread like wildfire.

I have prayed to the Lord for jazzmags, but none have appeared.

Please Captain Jazzmag, help me. You are my last hope. I enclose £10 from last Sunday's collection.

Rev. X Cornwall

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: Shame on you! A man in your position should know better. People look up to you, and by spending their money on wank mags you betray their trust. Is suggest you pray for forgiveness, and in the meantime I am keeping the ten pounds as punishment for your sins.

A tall story!

Dear Cap'n

I am only 4 feet 8 inches tall, and my local newsagent keeps all the male interest magazines on the top shelf, way out of my reach.

It is most embarrassing having to ask the assistant for a chair to stand on in order to reach them. Consequently I have not been able to get my hands on a porny magazine for over a year.

Please help by sending me a copy of Mayfair. I enclose £10.

Andy Norfolk

CAPTAIN JAZZMAG says: That's a tall story Andy, but I can well believe it. Top shelf mags are often beyond the reach of little fellas like yourself. But don't worry. Soon you'll be able to reach new heights of enjoyment! This month's copy of Mayfair is on its way to you!



NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

PLEASE SEND ME A COPY OF ☐ MAYFAIR ☐ RAZZLE
☐ PENTHOUSE ☐ PLAYBOY
☐ ANY WANK MAG (tick one)

I certify that I am aged 18 or over, and I enclose £10 cash.

Signed _____

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THE CHAMELEON OF COMEDY!

Take a close look at the gallery of faces shown here. Believe it or not, they are all the same person!

Those are just some of the many faces of TV jester David Jason. Star of such hit comedy shows as *Only Fools On Horses*, *Open All Hours* and *The Darling Buds of May*. Over a brilliant career of TV comedy acting he has established himself as Britain's top comedy actor.

Many faces of TV Jester Jason

KEY

But David's key to success has been his chameleon-like ability to change character. Whether it be a scheming entrepreneur in *Fools On Horses*, a bungling shop assistant in *Open All Hours*, or a scheming old man with a good looking daughter in *The Darling Buds*, he can carry off the role with ease.

GOLF

The secret of David's success is in his amazing ability to change his facial expression, wear hats and dress up in

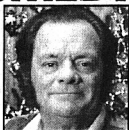
different clothing. It's a traditional acting technique that he has mastered over a period of many years. In showbusiness circles David is nicknamed 'The Chameleon of TV Comedy' because of his uncanny ability to change appearance.

COUNTRY

"One simple but effective trick is changing the angle of your mouth", one TV insider told us. "By bending your lips upwards at the ends you can achieve a smile. Bend them downwards, and a frown is the effect". But as



With a hat - it's Del boy!



'Perfick' as Pa Larkin!



In a jumper - it's Granville



And this is the real me!

well as smiling and frowning, top actors, the masters of their trade, employ movement of the forehead, eyebrows and cheeks to add emphasis to their acting, we were told.

Many top actors we spoke to praised Jason for his acting skills, but preferred to save their tributes until after he dies. In the meantime we wish him continued success in his acting career.

GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS

By our Science
Correspondent
Lulu

Nobody likes to dwell on their droppings. We tend to flush our faeces down the toilet the minute we've finished wiping our bottoms. But according to one new theory, we could be making a big mistake.

An increasing number of doctors now believe that faecal examination - that's looking at your poo to you and me - is an excellent way to monitor your health. For the colour, content, texture and smell of a number two reveals vital information about the lifestyle that you lead.

TURD

"Every turd is a little mine of information", says Dr. Emilio Budweiser, Head of Excrement at Los Angeles University's Institute of Advanced Toilet Research.

STOOL

"Every stool is like a book just waiting to be read. Every



dollop a brand new chapter, packed with information. And winnits are like micro film, jam packed with valuable data about the human body", he continued.

MUSHITROOM

In his new book 'Learning From Our Stools', Dr. Budweiser recommends that we all take time to scrutinise our droppings for a few moments each day, probing it with a fork, or an old tooth brush. By doing so all manner of information can be discerned. Here's a few clues to look out for, together with the information that they reveal.

Do you recognise any of the following poo properties?

PEANUTS - If you find traces of peanut amongst your stool, you may well be a party person - someone who likes a nibble in the pub perhaps, or alternatively someone who enjoys crunchy peanut butter.

SWEETCORN - This suggests a healthy lifestyle. You enjoy vegetables - sweetcorn in particular. You might also enjoy corn on the cob. Sweetcorn is generally a healthy sign.

SLOPPY STOOLS - If you suffer from runny poo this is an indication of bad diet, and of possible stomach problems. You may lead a stressful life, suffer from anxiety, or perhaps you just had a big curry last night.

DARK 'FUDGY' STOOLS - This could be a sign that you drink Guinness.

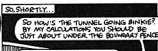
FAT WITH A HAT

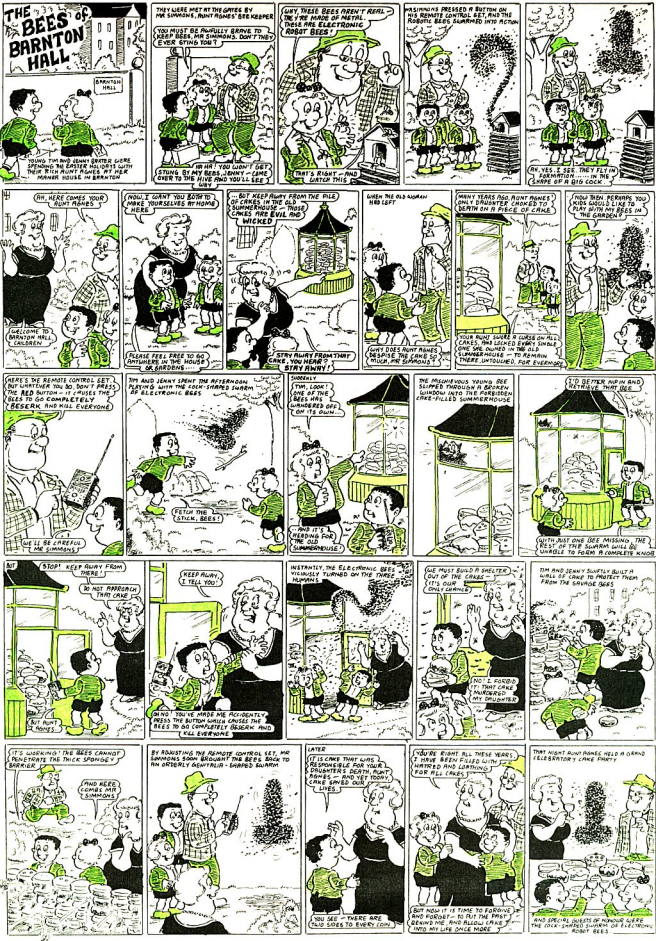
Send us the name of a fat person and the type of hat you'd like to see them wearing. We pay £5 for every suggestion we use.



This week: Actor Stratford Johns wears a trilby hat, as suggested by Kate Remington, 32, of Macclesfield. Congratulations Kate, there's a crisp fiver on its way to you.

The Colditz Kids





THE BEES OF BARNTON HALL

YOUNG TIM AND JENNY SWIFTER WERE SPENDING THE EPISTEME HOLIDAYS WITH THEIR RICH MOUNT PLANTS AT THEIR PARENTS' HOUSE IN BARNTON

THEY WERE MET AT THE GATES BY MR. SIMMONS, MOUNT PLANTS' BEE-Keeper. YOU MUST BE AWFULLY BRAVE TO KEEP BEES, MR. SIMMONS, DON'T THEY EVER STING YOU?

WHY THESE BEES DON'T BITE ME, I'M MADE OF METAL. THESE ARE ELECTRONIC ROBOT BEES!

MR. SIMMONS PRESSED A BUTTON ON HIS REMOTE CONTROL SET, AND THE ROBOTIC BEES SWARMED INTO ACTION

AN YES, I SEE THEY FLY IN FORMATION... IN THE SHAPE OF A BIG COIN.

MR. HERE COMES YOUR MOUNT PLANTS! WELCOME TO BARNTON HALL, CHILDREN

NOW I WANT YOU BOTH TO MAKE YOURSELVES AT HOME HERE

BUT KEEP AWAY FROM THE PILE OF CAKES IN THE SUMMERHOUSE - THOSE COULD BE VERY WICKED

WHEN THE OLD WOMAN HED LEFT

THAT YEARS AGO, MOUNT PLANTS ONLY DREAMED OF CHOKING TO DEATH IN A PIECE OF CAKE

HERE'S THE REMOTE CONTROL SET. BUT WHATEVER YOU DO, DON'T PRESS THE RED BUTTON - IT CAUSES THE BEES TO GO COMPLETELY WACKY, AND KILL EVERYONE

MY AND JENNY SPENT THE AFTERNOON PLAYING WITH THE COIN-SHAPED SWARM OF ELECTRONIC BEES

SHIMMELY, TIM LOOKED ONE OF THE BEES HAD WANDERED OFF ON ITS OWN

THE MISCHIEVOUS YOUNG BEE SLIPPED THROUGH A BEETLE WINDOW INTO THE FORBIDDEN CAKE-FILLED SUMMERHOUSE

TO BE BITE NIP AND NODD LOGGIE. THAT BEE!

STOP! KEEP AWAY FROM HERE! DO NOT APPROACH THAT CAKE

KEEP AWAY, I TELL YOU

INSTANTLY, THE ELECTRONIC BEES VICIOUSLY TURNED ON THE THREE HUMANS

WE MUST BUILD A SHELTER OUT OF THE CAKE - IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE

TIM AND JENNY SWIFTLY BUILT A WALL OF CAKE TO PROTECT THEM FROM THE SAVAGE BEES

IT'S WORKING! THE BEES CANNOT PENETRATE THE THICK SPONGE! AND HERE COMES MR. SIMMONS

BY REQUESTING THE REMOTE CONTROL SET, MR. SIMMONS SOON BROUGHT THE BEES BACK TO AN OBEDIENT MOUNTAIN - SHARP SWIFT

LATER IT IS CAKE THAT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR DAUGHTER'S DEATH. BUT YOUR CAKE SAVED OUR LIVES

YOU'RE RIGHT ALL THESE YEARS I HAVE BEEN FLEEING WITH HATED AND LEAVING FOR ALL CAKES

THAT NIGHT MOUNT PLANTS HELD A GRAND CELEBRATORY CAKE PARTY

I WAS A RIGHT FUCKING TEARAWAY, ME

Spender star Jimmy Nail is a star with a secret. For before he found fame as a tough guy TV cop, actor Jim was more often than not on the *wrong* side of the law.

Now his time is spent solving crime on our screens, but it wasn't long ago that Nail, then a hard drinking Georgie, was causing trouble in real life. But now all that has changed, and Jimmy prefers not to discuss his dubious past.

UNUSUAL

"I must admit, it was unusual to walk into a police station through the front door while we were filming Spender", Jim recalls. "In the past I'd always been carried in the back door, with a blanket over my head. In fact, on one occasion I'd roughed up a couple of coppers, so they took me into the station through the wall - quite literally - head first!"

GRASS

Jimmy's tough on-screen persona may well have something to do with his tough upbringing. But the past is a subject that Jimmy prefers to avoid. "On one occasion I came home from the pub with an axe sticking out me head", the seven foot Georgie recalls. "Someone had been trying to chop me head off, and the axe had got stuck. Mind, I'd had that much to drink I didn't even notice it was there".

PUSSYCAT

Not surprisingly Nail is not Jimmy's real name. "That came about after my dad had nailed my head to the floor in order to keep me out of trouble", says Jim. "But it didn't work. I just pulled half the floor up, went to the pub and started butting people with floorboards stuck to me head".

DARKNESS

Thankfully those wild days are now well and truly in the past, and it's a chapter in the Nail story that Jimmy has declared well and truly

But actor Jimmy doesn't like to talk about it

closed. "I was a bit of a football hooligan in those days", he recalls. "And inevitably I ended up paying the price". Jimmy served a prison term at Strangeways following a violent incident involving a baseball bat. But not surprisingly the born again actor, writer and director prefers to look to the future, and not dwell on the past.

THIEVES

"My first acting interview was for Auf Weidershein Pet. I'll never forget the interview. I went in, and all these blokes were looking at me. I said 'Who the fuck are you looking at?' In the end I got arrested after I'd tried to kill one of them with an iron bar. But luckily I got the part, and haven't looked back since."

TRAMPS

The Nail success story has been meteoric. Now the co-owner of a production company, Jimmy is involved in all aspects of TV writing and production. Married with two kids, Jimmy lives in Wales where he is bringing his children up not to use cutlery. "It's something my wife and I discussed a long time ago and decided we would like to do. It's what we feel is right, but once the kids grow up it will be up to them whether or not they use cutlery."

THIEVES

But behind the success story is a little known tale of the tough, streetwise Georgie musician who drank and fought his way from pub gig to pub gig, wearing women's clothes. It's a skeleton that

EXCLUSIVE

Jimmy prefers to leave well and truly in the closet.

"Yeah, I used to wear dresses and great big boots, and jump into the audience and kick everyone's head in", he confesses. But it's a subject he is loathe to discuss. "I was a bit of a lad in those days. In fact, it was quite a surprise for me to be walking into a



NAIL - prefers not to talk about his past.

police station through the front door while we were filming Spender. In the past I'd always been carried in the back, with a blanket on my head", says Jimmy. "But don't you dare print any of that, or I'll knock your fuckin' teeth out".

Snow shoes is good news say shoe retailers

Blizzard hit Britain has gone show shoe crazy - according to reports from leading footwear retailers.

WELLINGTON

Record breaking arctic conditions coupled with 20 foot snowdrifts have left the UK buried under a thick blanket of snow and ice.

SENSIBLE

But Britain's pedestrians are putting on a brave face - and sensible footwear. For sales of snow shoes have already reached record levels, with many shoe shops having sold out completely by the second week in January.

VANIE

"People just can't seem to get enough of them. They're literally flying off the shelves", one shoe shop owner told us today.

Traditionally snowbound pedestrians across Britain have always worn Wellington boots or galoshes - a rubbery zip-up waterproof ankle high overshoe. But this year has seen sales of the once popular boots and overshoes fall in the face of stiff competition.

DICKENS

Wellie makers Dunlop yesterday threatened to wage a price war with snow shoe manufacturers, slashing the price of some boots by 25 per cent to less than £15 a pair.

TEXAS

A pair of snow shoes probably costs about the same as two tennis racquets.

'Ello 'ello 'ello! What's all this then?

WE'RE LOOKING FOR BRITAIN'S LAUGHINGEST POLICEMAN

"Ha ha ha! Hee hee hee! I'm a laughing policeman, look at me!" So sang David Bowie in his hit record of the same name.

But nowadays Britain's police force has been tarnished with a different brush. Allegations of brutality, corruption, racial discrimination and shooting people by mistake, have all taken their toll on the image of the British bobby.



BICYCLES

Once they rode on bicycles two by two, now they drive around in armoured vans in gangs of twelve, jumping out and hitting people with sticks. Whatever happened to the good old British bobby?

We're going to prove that laughing policemen are *not* a thing of the past. And we are launching a competition to find Britain's *Laughingest Policeman*.

WESTMINSTER

We want *you*, the readers, to go out onto the streets of Britain and find a friendly bobby. Tell him a few jokes, and see if he or she smiles.

If they do, take them along to the nearest photo-booth and take a picture of your Laughing Policeman. Then send the results to us.

BIG BEN

We're offering a smashing prize to whoever finds Britain's laughingest policeman. The sender of the winning photograph will receive a weekend break for two at a hotel in London, home of TV's *The Bill*. You'll be able to wander the streets and maybe come across the stars of the top TV police drama filming somewhere. You can chat with the stars of the

show, providing you find them and they aren't too busy, and watch them in action.

CHILDREN

The competition will be judged by a top TV policeman. Possibly Spender, or Rosie. Or someone who used to be on *Z Cars*. We'll see what we can do. So we want you all to get out there, and put a smile back on the face of Britain's Bobbies. Send your entries to: Britain's Laughingest Policeman Competition, Viz, P.O. Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT. Policemen, their friends (if they've got any) and their relatives may not enter. A selection of your best pictures will appear in the next issue, if we get any, together with the name of our winner.



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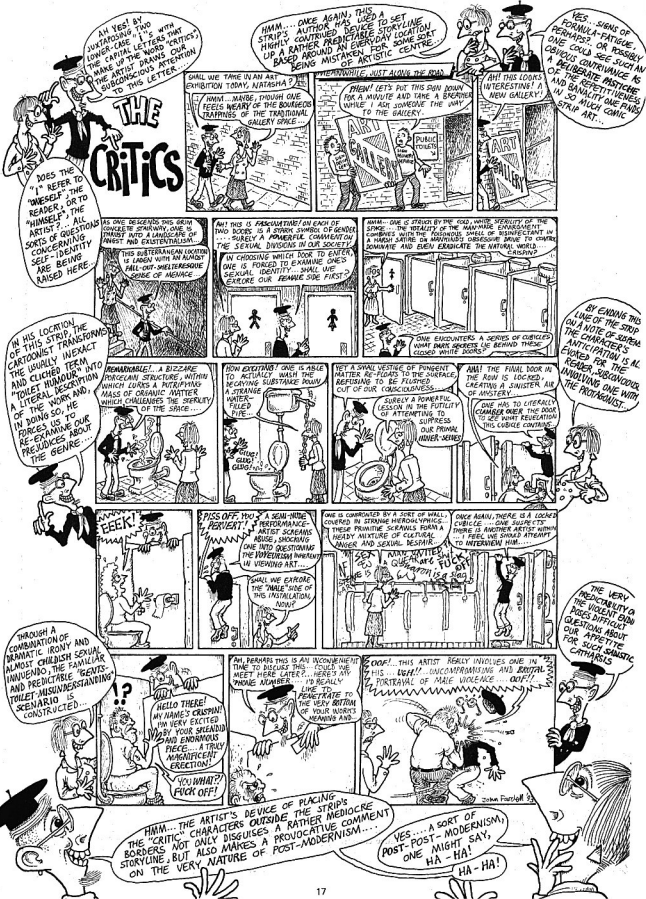
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PAUL DANIEL'S ABBACADABRA!



TV's top magician Paul Daniels, assisted by the lovely Debbie McGee, has been up to his naughty tricks again with seventies pop group Abba. This time, using slight of hand, he has replaced one of their heads with that of another pop star and ex-Beatle. Can you spot the odd one out, and name that Beatle? Send your answers on a postcard to Paul Daniels (assisted by the lovely Debbie McGee) Abacadabra Beatle spotting Competition, Viz, P.O. Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT. We'll put all the correct entries into a hat, and the lucky winner drawn out on 31st May 1993 will receive our magical Abba prize - every single Abba record in stock at our local Asda supermarket (providing its open on the 31st, 'cos its a bank holiday). But it probably is. And two lucky runners-up will each receive a tape out of their bargain clearance cassette bin. So hurry up and get those entries flooding in.



LetterBocks

It's BRIGHT, it's BOLD, it sets the TREND
It's the letters page with a BIG BELL END

It wasn't me, honest

They say that we're all to blame for the increasing crime levels on our streets. Well I'm not. I was in the pub with me mates. Honest.

J. Walsh
Newbiggin

I reckon these TV Gladiators are as soft as shite. If they ever come down my local it won't be 'getting knocked off a podium with a pugil stick'; it would be 'getting knocked off a bar stool with a pool cue'. And no helmets, elbow pads or personal eye protectors either.

M. Porteous
Dudley

Congratulations to TV consumer programme 'Watchdog' on highlighting the dangers of these so-called breakfast snacks 'Pop Tarts'. Previously I had not realised that if I gave my child something to eat which had piping hot jam in the middle, burns may result. Perhaps now 'Watchdog' could turn their attention to evil coffee manufacturers. I have lost count of the number of times I have burnt my tongue by drinking coffee which is too hot. Clearly it is time that something was done about this problem too.

B. Beaton
Bogness

What about my piles?

Having just watched BBC's Blue Peter raise three quarters of a million pounds for Africans with bad eyesight, I was wondering how many of those Africans would like to hold a fund raising 'Bring and Buy' sale in aid of my haemorrhoids. Not fucking many I'll wager.

J. Bowden
Teignmouth

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I sat through fifty minutes of Crimewatch UK the other night and I must say I didn't laugh once.

D. Blair
Twickenham

I spotted this amusing car registration number in a car park recently. Do I win £5?

D. Wheeler
Thornaby



I'm sure many of your readers share my concern about the lack of big brass bands in Britain. Come on Mr. Major! Get your thumb out, and let's put the 'oompah!' back in Britain.

A. Chance
Wimbledon

How about this one then?

D. Wheeler
Thornaby



I do have sympathy for the coal miners with all their current troubles. But let's be honest. If they'd dressed a bit smarter for work, and used a bar of soap every now and again, then people might be more inclined to give them their jobs back.

A. Macclesfield
Manchester

The King's Head

In days gone by public houses were named after our monarchs and their exploits, for example The Queen Victoria, The Kings Oak, etc. What a pity this is not done today - we'd have some great names, such as The Duchess And Slaphead, The Bent Prince, and The Prince of Wales' Bit on the Side.

Norman Conquest
Hastings

The King's dead

The sooner all these Elvis fans come to terms with the fact that their idol is dead, the sooner they'll begin to realise he was only a fat twat in the first place.

J. Leonard
Southpool

Esther Rantzen is always harping on about dogs that can say "sausages". Well, if I lie in the bath and fart I can make by bottom say "Edward Woodward". Do you think she'd be interested?

A. Smith
Anglesey

My hobby is playing word games with the names of pop stars. For instance, ABBA is a palindrome - it spells the same backwards. DOING JIGGY-JIGGY WITH MADONNA IN A BATH FULL OF SWARFEGA isn't a palindrome. I just like writing it down and thinking about it.

Mick Dwyer
Brighton

I'm fed up with these vegetarians who moan and bleat every time normal blokes like me go out and do a bit of hunting. If it wasn't for the likes of me the wildlife would eat all the lentils and sprouts and there'd be nothing left for the veggies. Then they'd all have to have sausages like everyone else.

D. Bruce
Colchester

As a New Year's resolution I decided not to smoke more than ten cigarettes a day.

I thought I was doing really well until after a couple of weeks my wife pointed out that previously I had never smoked at all!

I think there's a lesson here for us all.

Peter Owners-Manual
Haynes

I'm not impressed



Watching TV the other night I saw Rory Bremner doing impressions of Michael Heseltine, Bob Monkhouse and David Coleman. All well and good, Mr Bremner. But don't you have any talent of your own? These so called 'impressions' are just a waste of licence payers' money.

P. Lloyd
Port Sunlight

After following the gripping series of TV commercials for Gold Blend coffee, I tried popping round to my neighbour's flat to ask for a cup. After several attempts I am still nowhere near getting a cup of coffee, never mind a shag.

N. Stephens
Easington

Now there's a point

If Australia is so bloody great, why the fuck is there so many of them over here?

Colin Smith
Earls Court

It's unusual to see the mighty Liverpool lingering so near to the bottom of the Premier League this season, and a lot of critics are asking why. I'll tell you why. It's because they're *shite*.

K. Dixon
Manchester

My mother always used to say, "bottling things up never does anyone any good". Reflecting upon this a while later it occurred to me that the local cider company seems to have done very well out of it, thank you very much.

Chris Hill
Somerset

In your Sausage Sandwich annual letters pages a Tom McArthur from Bolton asks for picture of a 'bird' to be printed, and for a picture of a bloke kissing the 'bird's' arse. Perhaps Mr. McArthur would like to send in a picture of some men with their little knobs out? Or better still, grow up and stop calling us birds. Alright?

Woman's Writes
Cheltenham

Any birds out there who *don't* mind being called birds please write to us. We are six good looking, big, muscular army plant operators with smart uniforms and we walk around with big guns looking dead hard. We're in Bosnia, and we'd appreciate letters and photos from any birds, age 20 upwards. Plus dirty pictures of course.

Pat, Woody, Scally, Robbo,
Van & Will

● *Birds, get writing c/o: 24821905 Spr. Craine, Cmbt. Support Tp., 44 HQ & Sp. Sqn., 35 Engr. Regt., Op. Grapple T.S.G., BFPO 544.*

HOUSES GO TOPLESS

**It's roofs off
as temperatures soar!**

Britain's building industry is heading for a revolution as climatic changes over the next few years look set to render roofs obsolete.



The shape of things to come - a new 'open top' style house yesterday

For centuries houses in Britain have traditionally been built with roofs on the top. But after one or two mild winters recently experts believe that weather patterns are changing, and soon houses will no longer need roofs as the country begins to bask in a new 'Mediterranean' style climate.

BURDEN

But while that may be good news for house owners who will no longer face the burden of expensive roof repairs, it's bad news for builders.

PRICE

"A lot of our work comes from building and repairing roofs on the top of houses", one builder told us yesterday. "If roofs go, then jobs will be lost. Many builders are already struggling in the recession, and I think no more roofs will be the last straw for a lot of them. Roofing companies especially are going to suffer".

VALENTINE

Yesterday the majority of builders we contacted reported that people were still asking for roofs on their houses. "We've just had an order for a house today, and they've asked for a slate roof on it", one told us. But influential architects are already believed to be designing houses without roofs, and if the mild weather continues a definite trend away from roofs is expected to emerge.

CHANDLER

There was, however, one good bit of news for builders. Almost all the houses in Britain today - over 40,000 of them - have already got roofs. And once demand for roofless property begins to increase, there should be several years work available removing the existing roofs.

TOP TIPS

CONVINCE friends you're filming a Channel 4 youth programme by taking your video camcorder to a party and whirling it around the most crowded room on the end of a piece of string.

V. James
Bow

FELLAS. Avoid pulling ugly birds. Simply drink 14 pints of beer and hey presto! Everyone you chat up looks like Catherine Zeta-Jones.

Paul & Scotty
BFPO 544 DRS

P.S. Make sure she's still a stunner the next morning by hiding a bottle of vodka under your pillow and drinking it before she wakes up. Hey presto! Breakfast with Cindy Crawford.

GARDENERS. Take a tip from fashion designers. Paint long, thin, parallel stripes on your garden hose to give the impression that it is longer than it actually is. Or paint thicker hoops along its length to create a new, shorter look.

Percy Birke
Huddersfield

PRETEND you're listening to Radio One on Long Wave by slightly off tuning the FM frequency and wrapping the radio in a sleeping bag.

H. Clayton
Gateshead

UNDERWATER cameramen. Don't throw away those discarded supermarket trolleys. Tied together with string two of them make an ideal anti-shark cage.

Hapag Lloyd
Runcorn

TAXI drivers. Why not pop into a garage and ask them to fix your indicator lights for you so that other motorists know where the fuck you are going.

E. Murphy
Ipswich

FAT PEOPLE. Keep your hands warm in winter by unbuttoning your shirt and tucking them in between the layers of fat on your belly.

M. Jackson
Wolverhampton

STEREO too loud? Simply place the speakers inside a cupboard. The volume can then effectively be controlled by opening and closing the cupboard doors.

L. Shuffbottom
Market Drayton

DRINK drivers. Before motoring home after an evening on the piss, try sucking on an extra strong mint. Later, when police stop you for swerving across the road and driving on the pavement, they'll never in a million years suspect that you've been drinking.

R. Luck
HM Prison Shotts

ANTIQU dealers. Calculate the age of old tables by sawing off one of the legs and counting the number of rings in the woodgrain. This works for chairs too.

A. Sapling
Sevenoaks

GIVE your goldfish a love-bite by inserting a straw into its bowl and sucking gently at its neck.

W. B. Levitt
Hull

2 THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW ABOUT *ELECTRICITY*

Whether we're washing our teeth with it, opening our car windows with it or being given huge doses of it in a high electricity mental hospital, there's no getting away from it. Love it or hate it, electricity is here to stay. But how much do we really know about this mysterious energy that starts our cars and makes our telly's work? Here's a few fascinating facts you probably never knew about electricity...

1 Most buildings have an underground electricity supply from the local Electricity Board. But churches get theirs direct from God, via enormous 'electricity conductors' at the top of their steeples.

2 Power stations make electricity. Except Duran Duran's music project 'The Power Station'. They make crap records that sound like Duran Duran with the drums turned up.

3 Another pop group with electrical connections are AC/DC. Their name refers to the electrical abbreviations for Alternating and Direct current.

4 If David Bowie approaches you in the street and says he is "AC/DC", don't worry. He's not confusing his pop identity with that of the heavy metal group. He is merely expressing a dual preference for both heterosexual and homosexual activity.



Bowie yesterday

5 Static electricity is a special kind of electricity which lives in nylon carpets and impresses young children by sticking balloons to walls after you have rubbed them on your jumper.



The obscure reference to Duran Duran at No. 2 hardly justifies this rather large picture

6 When singer Eddie Grant invited pop fans to "rock down to Electric Avenue" with the promise that then he would "take them higher", they probably didn't realise that he was referring to the first street in London to have been lit by electricity.

7 Nor would they have been aware that Electric Avenue is, strictly speaking, not an avenue. It's more of a crescent really.

8 Mazda, the name on millions of lightbulbs (as well as a few crap cars) is in fact the name of the Hindu God of light.

9 And Toshiba is the Hindu God of television.

10 In a recent TV advertising campaign Cilla Black told us that a series of biscuit tins filled with house bricks and wired into the mains was a better way of heating a house than a gas central heating system, and all for £2 a week.



Captain Scarlet - indestructible

16 Captain Black had already been killed, and had subsequently been taken over by the Mysterons.



Captain Black - already dead

17 There are two types of electric chair. One is a battery powered wheelchair for the elderly or infirm. The other is used by the authorities in America to kill black people.

18 In his sixties hit 'Mellow Yellow' Donovan expressed a belief that "electrical bananas" were going to be "the very next thing".

19 He was about as far wide of the mark as Clive Sinclair in the seventies who thought that an electrical oversized roller skate called the Sinclair C5 was going to be the very next thing.

20 Still, they both had more sense than Gary Numan in the eighties who sang "Are friends electric" while pretending to be a fucking robot, for Christ's sake.

11 An electric bill is not a battery operated policeman (although batteries do have copper tops). It is in fact a demand for money from the local Electricity Board, upon receipt of which you realise that Cilla Black was talking out of her arse.

12 And electric blankets are not blankets that run on electricity.

13 Erm...

14 Actually they are.

15 Electricity is dangerous. Indeed, it can kill. In fact, it was the only thing that could kill TV puppet Captain Scarlet in the series of the same name.

BENT GOES STRAIGHT TO TOP OF CHART

Feelin' groovy? Gr-r-r-reat! Then tuck in to the crispiest, crunchiest pop chart in Britain - the new Viz King Cut GROOVERS top ten, brought to you by the potato crisps with the extra crunch.

And fittingly we've a *groovy* track to kick off with at No. 1. It's by PHILLIP BENT and it's a street-wise, funky, hip-hop, dance/soul jazz version of War's 'Life Is A Ghetto'. It's a *king cut* itself, taken from Phillip's CD 'The Pressure', out now on GRP Records, distributed by New Note Distribution who kindly gave us £50.02 for the plug.

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That was only tuppence more than we received from PUNT & DENNIS out of The Mary Whitehouse Experience to plug their 'Milky Milky Tour' video. But sadly we've decided not to allow videos in the chart again. Fortunately we were able to find a last minute replacement and ARCHIE BROWN was able to step in and take their place in the chart. Archie's CD 'Young Bucks In Fancy Shirts' is actually available on the House of Viz label, and costs just £11.00 (including P & P) from House of Viz, P.O. Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT. On behalf of Punt & Dennis we'd like to thank Archie for stepping in at such short notice.

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BP & THE ELECTRIC GUITARS have decided to avoid the Christmas rush and have released their festive EP 'Definitely Wonderful Christmastime' in March. It's available from Big Paul at 29 Swan Street, Kingsclere, Newbury, Berks. RG15 8PP, priced only £2.99.

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Looking rather familiar at No. 4 is ANDREW TAIT. To celebrate Andrew's umpteenth appearance, we're offering a packet of ham and mustard flavour King Cut Groovers to anyone who can guess how much money Andrew has wasted on Viz Chart appearances to date. As a consolation prize the nearest runner up will receive £250's worth of hi-fi equipment from their nearest Richer Sounds hi-fi store.



Tait hanging on at No. 4 (above) and Keith's Dad (right)

GROOVERS VIZ TOP TEN

THE SUGAR PLUMS are a seventies glam rock revival band, and as if to prove the point they sent us a photograph of themselves wearing flared trousers. Their limited edition EP is at No. 5 in the Groovers Top Ten, and can be bought for £3.99 (inc. P & P) from Fruit Pie Records, 11 Baldry Gardens, Streatham, London SW16 3DL.

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BONK BONK MOO sent us £30 in order to advertise a vacancy for a manager. They reckon they're the next Beatles, and they're looking for a Brian Epstein figure to manage them. They do however wish to point out at this early stage that they are all heterosexuals. Applications for the job, or orders for their cassette (priced £3.00) should be sent to 51E Newlands Park, London SE26 5PN.

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You can have a copy of TILTED TIM's record absolutely FREE! Just send a large SAE to P.O. Box 549, Harrow, HA27 7BG. Go on - it'll only cost you the price of a stamp. And an envelope. Although you'll get the envelope back - with a record in it. And the stamp as well, I suppose.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

YEAH JAZZ don't like being described as a jazz band, even though they are one, in a poppy, folksy sort of way. You can find out what the fuck they're on about by buying their CD EP for £3.99 from S. Hatfield at 6 Spring Mount, Harrogate, North Yorks, HG1 2HX. (And you can buy a CD player for less than seventy quid from your local branch of RICHER SOUNDS, plus of course a packet of KING CUT GROOVERS from most newsagents etc.)

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Would you believe KIETH'S DAD at No. 9 are also flogging something. Their cassette is available for £4.50 from T. Roughan at 6 David Street, Cambridge, CB1 3LY. Sounds like a student to



1	PHILLIP BENT The World Is A Ghetto	£50.02
2	ARCHIE BROWN Young Bucks In Fancy Shirts (CD)	£50.00
3	BP & THE ELECTRIC GUITARS Definitely Wonderful Christmastime	£41.14
4	ANDREW TAIT 2001 A Tait Odyssey	£30.99
5	THE SUGAR PLUMS 20th Century Glam	£30.13
6	BONK BONK MOO Welcome To The World of Domestic Appliances	£30.00
7	TILTED TIM Fate Made A Mess Of My Jeans	£21.79
8	YEAH JAZZ April (CD EP)	£19.93
9	KIETH'S DAD Beer and Adrenalin	£10.00
10	THE 3 FAT BASTARDS 'Live 2'	£5.23



Bent on success - that's Phillip (above) and Archie steps in at No. 2 (below) with The Young Bucks



me. A brainy one with a bike and a scarf, probably.

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Finally three fat bastards from Manchester, THE THREE FAT BASTARDS tell us they will be appearing live at Rockworld in Manchester on April 14th. Turn up at the gig with a copy of this comic, plus a packet of King Cut Groovers, and they'll let you have a copy of their cassette for 10p less than what it normally costs. If they've got any with them.

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If you want to get your record or tape in the Viz Top Ten send us a copy, together with a cash bribe and a photo if possible. Send it to Viz Top Ten, P.O. Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT. And we'll add 5p to the value of your bribe for every King Cut Groovers crisp packet you enclose. And anyone who sends us 100 packets or more will go into a lucky draw, the winner of which will receive a free stacking hi-fi system from their nearest branch of Richer Sounds! So hurry up and get munching!

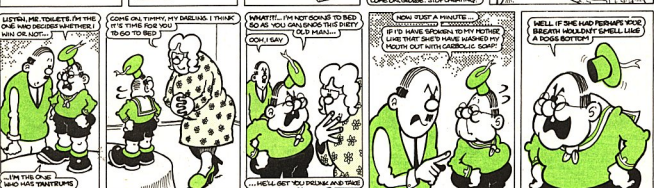
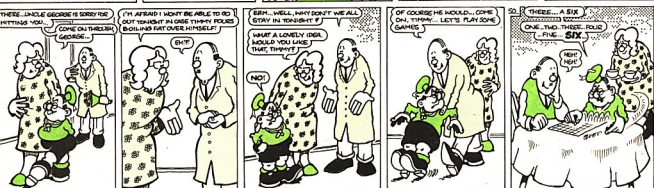
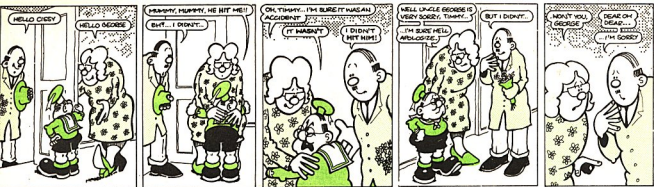
Special Message



Here's a special message for WOT THE FUNK who appeared in our last top ten. Kay, from Rugby, fancies the one with dark hair (fifth from left). She'd like to go out for a drink with him, and perhaps a curry afterwards. She enclosed a self portrait of herself. If that bloke is interested he should write to the Viz Top Ten (enclosing one Groovers crisp packet please) and we'll put you in touch.

SPLOOT BASTARD





GILBERT RATCHET



NOBODY! WINTER HAS ENDED AND SPRING IS GIVING US PLEASURE!



APPARENTLY, READERS IN THE SPRING A YOUNG MAN'S FANCY TURNS LOOSELY TO THOUGHTS OF LOVE

SO I'M OFF FOR A ROMANTIC WALK AROUND THE PARK WITH MY GIRLFRIEND.

SOME MORNINGS



GOOH! WHY ARE THE GLUM PRICES, SUCH A PITY AND WHY ARE YOU STANDING IN THAT LITTER BIN?

THE PARK



SORRY, GILBERT, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO CALL OFF OUR DATE SOMEONE HAS THROWN A FULL BOTTLE OF THAT PHEROMONE SEX SPRAY INTO THIS BIN, AND CONSEQUENTLY I AM IRRESISTIBLY ATTRACTED TO IT!

THE PARK

I'LL JUST HAVE TO STAY HERE UNTIL THE EFFECT WEARS OFF - WHICH COULD TAKE DAYS



ALTERNATIVELY, YOU COULD WEAR AN EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE PAIR OF JEANS WHICH WOULD MAKE THE REALLY FANCY YOU - LIKE IN THE ADVERTS ON TELEVISION

I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO, SUE

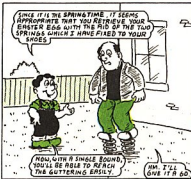


HOW AM I GOING TO RAISE ENOUGH MONEY, BUT AN EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE PAIR OF JEANS



DAMNATION! I'VE SOMEHOW MANAGED TO GET MY EASTER EGGS TRAPPED IN THE GUTTERING

A SUBSTANTIAL CRAN RELIED WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO ANYONE AND HELPED ME BRING IT DOWN SAFELY



SINCE IT IS THE SPRING TIME, IT SEEMS APPROPRIATE THAT YOU RETRIEVE YOUR SPRING EGGS WITH THE AID OF THE TWO SPRINGS WHICH I HAVE FIXED TO YOUR SHOES

WELL, WITH A SINGLE SWOOP, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO REACH THE GUTTERING EASILY

MM, I'LL GIVE IT A GO



SPRING

CRUNCH



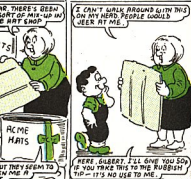
I'M AFRAID THAT SCHEME OF YOURS HAS LEFT ME DEEPLY UNIMPRESSIONED, GILBERT

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS PUNCH IN THE FACE



THUMP

OOCH



ACME ON DEAR, THERE'S BEEN SOME SORT OF MIX-UP AT THE HAT SHOP

ACME HATS

ACME HATS

ASKED THEM FOR AN EASTER BUNNET - BUT THEY SEEM TO HAVE ACCIDENTALLY GIVEN ME A CAR BONNET

I CAN'T WALK AROUND WITH THIS ON MY HEAD, PEOPLE WOULD JEER AT ME

HERE, GILBERT, I'LL GIVE YOU SOMETHING TO TAKE THIS TO THE RUBBISH TIP - IT'S NO USE TO ME



WELL, THAT'S SORT OF TOWARDS AN EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE PAIR OF JEANS, ANYWAY

BUT I CAN'T BE BOTHERED TO WALK TO THE RUBBISH TIP WITH THIS BONNET - SO I'LL JUST BUNG IT THROUGH THIS OPEN WINDOW UNLESS ANYONE'S LOOKING



WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY BUNTING SCRAP METALS IN MY LIVING ROOM?

OOPE, CAUGHT IN THE ACT

IT'S JUST FINISHED SPRING CLEANING THAT ROOM, TOO



STILL, I'D NEVER GET MY HOUSE AS CLEAN AS MRS RUMBOLD'S, NEXT DOOR

IT'S NOT FAIR, NEAR HOUSE IS ALWAYS SPOTLESS AFTER SPRING CLEANING, BECAUSE SHE HAS A REALLY NICE HOUSE FEATHER DUSTER



WELL, THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT MRS RUMBOLD'S REALLY HUGE FEATHER DUSTER, I'LL GIVE IT A QUICK BLAST WITH MY BLOODTHIRST



YIPPEE! FIRST!



I GUESSED AS MUCH! BY POURING BLUE OVER MR RUMBOLD CONSIDERING HIM WITH BATTERIES, THEN STUFFING A WOODEN POLE UP HIS BREE MRS RUMBOLD WAS PASSING OFF HER HUSBAND AS A LARGE AND NOVELLY EFFECTIVE FEATHER DUSTER

THE CHEATING RATCH!

BWH!



SHORTLY AFTER, MRS RUMBOLD HAS BEEN FOUND GUILTY OF FRAUDULENT SPRING CLEANING AND CONSEQUENTLY I'VE KILLED THEM BOTH

HERE IS YOUR REWARD FOR THEIR CAPTURE



SO, LATER, IN THE PARK

MERRY SPRING, READERS

THEY LOVE IT REALLY

DO YOU MIND?

NOT IF YOU DON'T, DARLING

Hard working and efficient secretary Cathy Carruthers was good at her job in a busy city centre office. However, the guys in the office appreciated her other qualities.

ACTUALLY I DO MIND

OOH, HARK AT THIS ONE!

RIGHT LITTLE MADAM ISN'T SHE

WE'RE ONLY HAVING A BIT OF FUN

YEAH, SHAKE THAT LITTLE ARSE OF YOURS OVER TO THE KETTLE AND MAKE US A CUP OF TEA WILL YOU

I'M SICK OF BEING TREATED LIKE A SEX OBJECT. IT MIGHT BE A BIT OF FUN TO THEM, BUT TO A WOMAN IT'S OFFENSIVE

IS THAT TEA READY YET, LOVE?

I'LL HAVE TWO LUMPS. THOSE TWO WOULD DO NICELY!

DO YOU MIND? THAT IS AN INVASION OF MY PERSONAL BODY SPACE!

THAT'S IT! I'VE HAD ENOUGH.

I'M REPORTING YOUR BEHAVIOUR TO MR. GRIMSHAW

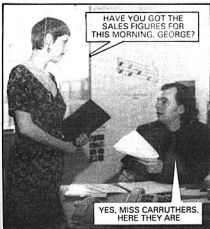
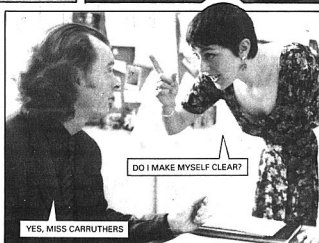
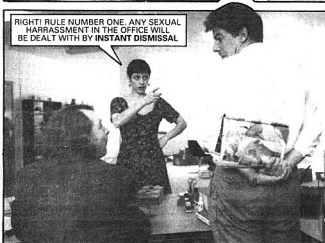
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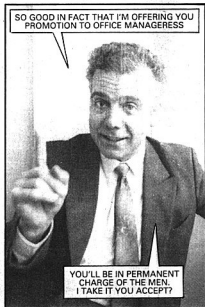
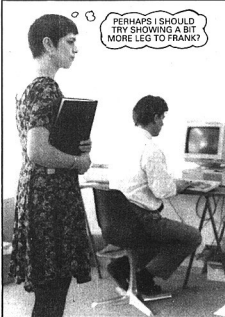
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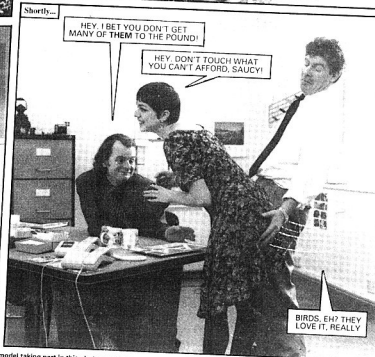
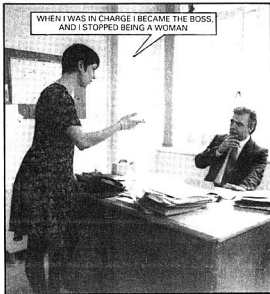
COME IN

MR. GRIMSHAW, I WANT TO MAKE AN OFFICIAL...

AH, CATHY, JUST THE PERSON I WANTED TO SEE







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inadequate when he's reading this on the
toilet looking for a bra advert.

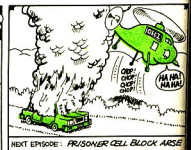


SEEMED LIKE AN INNOCENT DAY OUT. BUT DID THE HAPPY, SINGING ROBINSON FAMILY KNOW THAT THEIR CAR FILLED WITH ALL THE TRAPPINGS OF A PICNIC IN THE COUNTRYSIDE WAS ON A...

ONE WAY TRIP TO HELL



REMOVE YOUR LOWER GARMENTS AND **BARE YOUR BOTTOMS!** THE INSPECTION PROPER IS ABOUT TO BEGIN.



BATTLE OF THE BONDS

A war of words is raging between former James Bond stars over the unlikely issue of garden conservatories. And the script for this real life Bond epic is set to make the movies look tame by comparison.

Trouble flared when former Bond No.1 Sean Connery had a £2,000 uPVC conservatory built at a house he owns in Scotland. Nothing unusual about that, you'd have thought.

GREENHOUSE

Enter Bond No. 2 George Lazenby, and immediately sparks begin to fly. "That's not a conservatory - it's a greenhouse", claimed the Aussie born star of On Her Majesty's Secret Service, when we showed him pictures of the building.

PORCH

To make matters worse a third Bond, Roger Moore, failed to agree with either of his 007 predecessors. "I think it's a porch", commented the 62 year old star. "I'd say that any glazed structure which encloses a main entrance to a building is, by definition, a porch", added the former 'Saint' actor and Britain's first TV millionaire.

LEAN-TO

Connery, for many the greatest Bond of all, is said to be furious that his successors to the role created by author Ian Fleming have been so quick to condemn his lean-to glazed structure, although he preferred not to comment when we called him yesterday. But close friends of the millionaire actor, banker and golf course owner admitted he had been "purple with rage" to hear his conservatory described as a 'porch' by another former Bond.

ARCHITECT

"It's a grey area, one leading architect told us yesterday. "There is no concise definition of what does and what does not constitute a conservatory."

BUILDER

If a former Bond star pays a builder to build a conservatory, then providing he is himself happy with the structure, it can by his own definition be a conservatory. The opinions of his colleagues should not concern him".

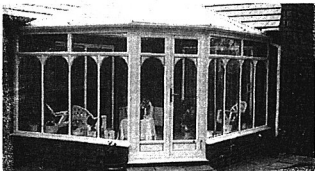
Bonds throw stones over glass houses



Dalton - 'Matter of usage'



Connery - Conservatory crisis



A conservatory similar to that of Connery's

We rang current Bond star Timothy Dalton and asked him where he stood on the issue. "I'd say that it's a matter of usage", he told us. "If a structure exists merely to protect an entrance and prevent draughts etc., then it is a porch. If however it contains seating, flowers etc. it clearly has a separate

function and becomes a conservatory", he told us. But the case wasn't closed. Dalton rang us back ten minutes later. "I've been thinking", he said. "A porch would not necessarily have a glazed roof, whilst a conservatory would", he told us. "And we can easily distinguish between a conserva-

tory and a greenhouse, as a greenhouse must be erected for the sole purpose of plant propagation", he added.

Double O-pinion

We wondered who the next James Bond might be, and what they would make of the great conservatory debate.

'Plonker' Rodney, alias TV's Nicholas Lyndhurst told us he'd be honoured if the role of James Bond was ever offered to him. But he wasn't so sure about conservatories. "I've often visited an 'orangery' in Regent's Park, and that seems like nothing more than a conservatory to me. It's difficult isn't it?", he told us.



Rodney - 00 Plonker



Meldrew - 00 Misery



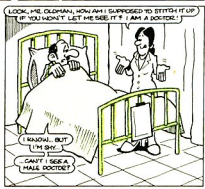
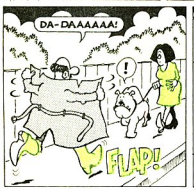
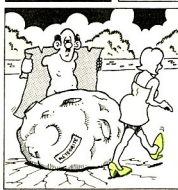
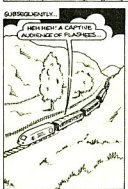
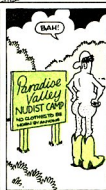
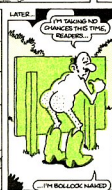
Catherine - 00 Darling Bud

We thought TV grump Victor Meldrew, alias pofaced actor Richard Wilson, would make an interesting choice as the next Bond. "I don't know that I'm not a bit too old for the part", he told us in his unmistakable grumpy voice. Meldrew's definition of a conservatory was just as unenthusiastic. "I suppose it would have to have some flowers in it or something", said Britain's favourite TV misery. Darling Bud Catherine Zeta

Jones admitted that she had never dreamt of playing Bond. "I'm a woman, and James Bond is really a man's role", she told us. But the glamorous starlet turned pop singer had no hesitation in defining the difference between a conservatory and a greenhouse. "Surely a greenhouse would be a free standing structure, whilst a conservatory would be attached to, and accessible from a house", she said.

FLASH HARRY

HE CAN NEVER
QUITE MANAGE
TO GET IT OUT



Billy the Shit

IN THE PREVIOUS EPISODE, BILLY WAS TRAPPED IN A BURNING ZEPPELIN AFTER A BUNGARE TIME-TRAVEL ACCIDENT. MEANWHILE, IN MANAGER TOMMY BROWN'S OFFICE...

WELL SYD - IT'S ISSUE 59 - AND WHAT ARE YOU GOING STRONG!

YES BOSS WHO'D HAVE THOUGHT IT, EH?

EH... DO YOU RECKON ANYONE STILL READS 'BUT THE FISH' BOSS?

NO, 'COOURSE NOT. WATE-FUL- FROG- IT.

I'M GOING TO HAVE A SHITE... ON MY DESK!

OH! I SUPPOSE WED BETTER GET ON WITH THIS PLOT THEN.

OKAY TOMMY, THE LADS ARE TRAINING OUTSIDE.

... I BET YOU THAT NOBODY WRITES IN TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THIS DISGUSTING BEHAVIOUR, BECAUSE THEY'VE LOST ALL INTEREST IN HIS STORY SEVERAL YEARS AGO AND ARE ASKING HALF WAY THROUGH 'FLASH HARRY' BY NOW THE PRESSURE IS OFF. WE DON'T HAVE TO TRY TO BE PLANT ANY MORE.

YES BOSS

DOES THAT MEAN I COULD HAVE A WANK ON THIS PICTURE OF THE QUEEN AND NOBODY WOULD KNOW?

YES SYD, BUT I THINK I'VE GOT A BETTER WAY OF PRAISING MY POINT.

WE'LL SEND THIS REMOTE CONTROLLED MINI-STEVEN, DONATED BY RICHIE'S SOUNDS TO THE FIRST READER WHO WRITES IN TO CANCEL THEIR VUE SUBSCRIPTION AS A RESULT OF ME SITTING ON MY DESK.

IT'S A NICE LOOKING STEERED BOSS.

YES FOR HI-FI BARGAINS GARRON THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE TO GO FOR YOUR LOCAL RICHIE'S SOUNDS HI-FI STORE!

ANYWAY, HOW'S THE TRAINING GOING?

NOT BAD, TOMMY, BUT SYD'S 'FISH' IS LATE.

AH... HERE HE COMES NOW!

SORRY, I'M LATE BOSS, MY FAN-BELT SNAPPED.

MY SYD, THE GROUND IS LOOKING SPOTLESS... ESPECIALLY THE SIDEWALKS.

YES BOSS

WE'VE HAD ALL THE STONEWORK RENOVATED BY WEDDIE STONE-MASSON'S CO-OPERATIVE LTD OF BOURNEMOUTH. THEY'RE SPECIALISES IN STONE RESTORATION AND RESTORATION.

YES SYD, THEY MAKE A BEAUTIFUL JOB - AND THEY'RE NOT AS EXPENSIVE AS YOU MIGHT THINK, ARE THEY?

YOU KNOW SYD - I REALLY DID MEAN IT BACK THERE WHEN I THOUGHT BILLY.

YES BOSS, BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE TEAM PLANO. IT'S GONE BADLY OUT OF-TUNE.

THE S PAUL BRADPOT - (WHO CONSIDERABLY WORKS FOR ES RECOVERY). HE ALSO RUNS HIS OWN BUSINESS - 'THE NEWCASTLE PIANO CO', WHO OFFER A PIANO TUNING AND REPAIRAL SERVICE - THEIR NUMBERS IN THE BOOK.

ABSOLUTELY BOSS! THEY OPERATE A ROUND-ROBIN REPAIR SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE NORTH-EAST AND CAN REPAIR YOUR CAR TOO - AT THEIR OWN GARAGES!

EXCUSE ME TOMMY, CAN I HAVE A WORD WITH YOU IN THE OFFICE? IT'S QUITE IMPORTANT.

ALRIGHT SYD, EXCUSE ME FOR A SECOND PLANE. ALOT.

ALRIGHT TOMMY.

THANKS BILLY. I KNOW I SPEAK REPEATEDLY TO YOU BOTH, BUT I REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR UNDERSTANDING.

YES, THANKS BILLY.

THAT'S OK.

NO, I REALLY MEAN IT. BILLY, THANK YOU VERY VERY MUCH.

HONESTLY, IT'S NOTHING.

YOU KNOW SYD - I REALLY DID MEAN IT BACK THERE WHEN I THOUGHT BILLY.

YES BOSS, BUT I'M WORRIED ABOUT THE TEAM PLANO. IT'S GONE BADLY OUT OF-TUNE.

DON'T WORRY SYD, THAT'S NOT A PROBLEM.

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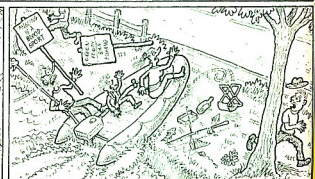
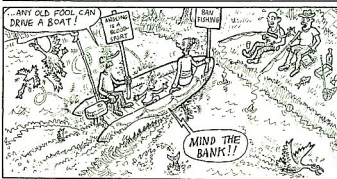
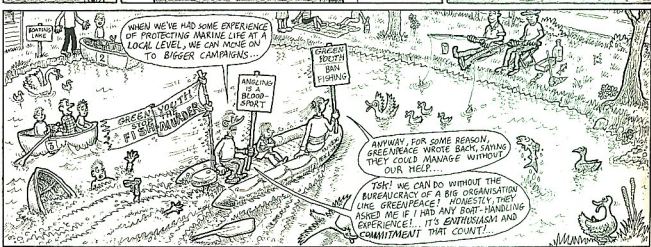
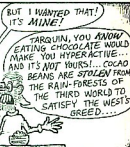
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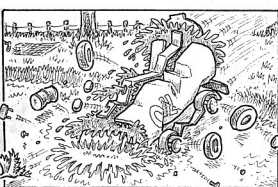
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HAVE YOU HAD ENOUGH OF BILLY THE FISH? IF SO - SEND JUST 20p IN ANY ENVELOPE TO: 'STOP BILLY THE FISH NOW' P.O. BOX 1PT, NEWCASTLE NE9 1PT.

IF JUST FIFTY READERS HAVE SENT IN 20p BY APRIL 30th 1995, WE WILL ASK BILLY THE FISH TO TAKE THE MOST POLITE AND REPLACE IT WITH SOMETHING FUNNY INSTEAD.

The MODERN PARENTS

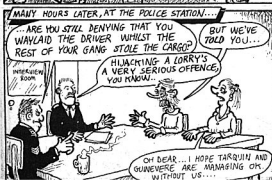




THE NEXT DAY...

"...THE POLLUTION CAUSED BY THE CRASHED TANKER, WHOSE DRIVER IS STILL IN HOSPITAL, HAS POISONED VIRTUALLY ALL THE LAKE'S FISH AND WILD-FOWL, WIPING-OUT SEVERAL RARE SPECIES.... POLICE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR THE MINDLESS VANDALS RESPONSIBLE, WHO MANAGED TO ESCAPE FROM THE WRECK OF THEIR POWER-BOAT..."

"ISK! TYPICAL RIGHT-WING PRESS! THEY DON'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THE ANGLERS! IT WAS ALL THEIR FAULT FOR PRACTICING THEIR EVIL BLOODSPORT THERE IN THE FIRST PLACE!"



BUCKS LOSE THEIR FIZZ OVER EURO-TUNNEL

Eurovision song contest winners Bucks Fizz have fallen out – after failing to 'make their minds up' over plans for a new Channel Tunnel.

The band topped the charts throughout the early eighties after their celebrated Euro-victory. But plans to build a new Channel Tunnel, in direct opposition to the 'Chunnel' rail link, proved to be their undoing. And now the four members have parted company after falling out over the ambitious tunnel scheme.

PLOUGH

Jay Aston, Cheryl Baker, Bobby Gee and Mike Nolan had decided to plough the profits from hits such as 'My Cam-er-ra N-ever Lies' into a 400 mile tunnel beneath the sea bed, stretching from Whitby in North Yorkshire to the Danish port of Esbjerg. With backing from their record company the group had planned to have the new cross channel route completed by June this year.

BLACK BULL

However, they soon faced a major technical setback when plans to use a 'Thunderbirds' style mechanical mole to dig the tunnel had to be scrapped. Fearing that conventional tunnelling techniques would prove too expensive, Cheryl Baker withdrew from the project,

Pop tunnel project goes FLAT!

leaving the other three members divided as to whether to carry on.

KINGS HEAD

"Bobby Gee was determined to go ahead, but Mike Nolan wanted to take a shorter route – to Holland or Belgium", an insider told us. "Meanwhile Jay refused to co-operate unless she was allowed to draw the plans".

RED LION

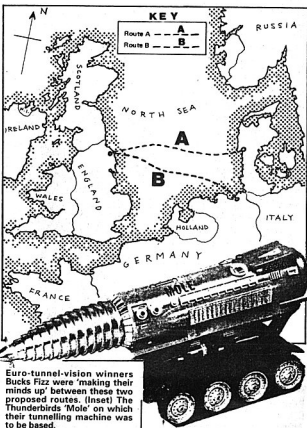
Nevertheless, the project seemed to be back on the rails in 1992 when Bobby and Mike reached a compromise, and it looked as if a Bucks Fizz channel tunnel was definitely on the cards, from Whitby to Bremerhaven in North Germany. Work was due to commence on the project early this year. But all that had to be cancelled when Aston dramatically quit the group after a row over how wide the tunnel should be.

WHEATSHEAF

Now the project has been shelved indefinitely, and the four former group members are embroiled in a bitter mud slinging match, each blaming the others for the tunnel's collapse.

ANCHOR

A solicitor speaking on behalf of Jay Aston yesterday issued the following brief statement. "I can confirm that Jay Aston no longer has any involvement in Bucks Fizz's plans to build a channel tunnel, and she is at present considering legal action against the other members of the group



whose mismanagement of the project she feels led to its inevitable abandonment. Under the circumstances any further comment would be inappropriate".

KERRYGOLD

At the time of going to press no other members of the

group were available for comment.

LURPACK

In 1985 a similar project ended in acrimony after EMI Records took court action to prevent Guys And Dolls from launching a cut price ferry service from Swanage in Dorset to Dieppe on the coast of France.



Baker – dropped out



IT'S FRIDAY...IT'S FIVE TO FIVE...IT'S...

THEORETICAL PHYSICS!

What have the following TV stars all got in common? Michael Aspel, Bernie Clifton, Leslie Crowther, Ed Stewart and the late Eamonn Andrews.

If you said they were all presenters of the popular kids' programme Crackerjack you would of course be right. But there is another less obvious link. For believe it or not each of them has at some time in the past baffled the scientific world with their own controversial and at times incredible physics theory.

SECRETS

The physics theories of the Crackerjack presenters has for many years been one of TV's best kept secrets. But now, for the first time, using files only just released from the BBC archives, we can exclusively reveal the physics theories of the former Crackerjack stars.

SCIENCE

MICHAEL ASPEL - launched a hugely successful career in TV with his appearances on Crackerjack in the early seventies. Since then he has never looked back, and is now one of Britain's top TV earners. But Michael's first love was always science, and in 1972 he published his own theory.

BOX

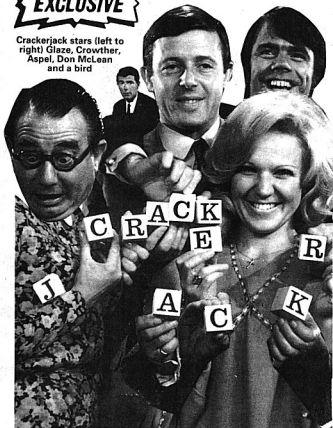
Aspel's theory was, quite simply, that if you spin around inside a box, you get dizzy. But if the box is then raised to 100 feet above ground level, and you spin around in it, you *don't* get dizzy.

GENIUS

This remarkable discovery was published in all the major scientific journals of the day, and Aspel was heralded as a genius by many experts. But the theory was disproved a short while later when a man spinning round inside a box 100 feet above the ground got dizzy. When the box was lowered to the ground the man got out and fell over.



Crackerjack stars (left to right) Glaze, Crowther, Aspel, Don McLean and a bird



Aspel was devastated. He immediately cancelled all his research and concentrated instead on his TV career. Needless to say he hasn't looked back since.

OSTRICH

BERNIE CLIFTON - is known to millions of kids as the man with the comedy ostrich. But during the seventies he starred as Crackerjack's resident funny man, and also took time out to develop a physics theory of his own.

EXPRESS

Bernie's belief was and still is that if you run backwards along the top of an express train which is travelling forwards at 100 miles per

Crazy double lives of the TV Crackerjack boffins

in Bridlington 'If you wee into a milk bottle in a green house wearing a tin foil hat on your head, the temperature of your head will be equal to the volume of wee in the bottle, divided by its weight'.

INSTANT

And it was former presenter **ED STEWART** who made headlines in 1974 when he claimed that 'The total weight of apples on any tree would be sufficient to lift the tree out of the ground if gravity was upside down'.

APPLE

LESLIE CROWTHER, who played funny man to Peter Glaze's straight man on the show, added his own apple theory when he said that 'The number of apples on any one time is equal to that number of trees divided by itself, and multiplied by the total number of apples thereupon'. Crowther's Theory of Apples on Trees has since become universally accepted and is used by apple growers worldwide when calculating how many apples they have on their trees.

EMI

A BBC book entitled 'Unusual Physics Theories of the Former Crackerjack Stars' is due to be published later this month by BBC Publications, priced £14.99.

FILTER

The Clifton Theory, as it became known, broke new ground for physics theoreticians. For he was challenging the very concept of time itself. And although his theory has never been substantiated by a successful controlled experiment, Clifton still has his supporters in the science world, among them the old bloke off 'How'.

CAPPUCINO

Physics theories of the Crackerjack presenters range from the brilliant to the bizarre. For instance **STU FRANCIS** once told delegates at a science conference

CELEBRITY SWEARS

No.63 Sir John Mills

